Appendix A Ascents in the Apolobamba

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The following list is based on the 'Mountaineering in the Andes, A source book for climbers' by Jill Neate, published by the RGS Expedition Advisory Centre. I have added information from the British Cordillera Apolobamba Expedition report of 1985, Bath University Expedition report of 1989 and the Loughborough University Expedition report of 1989. In addition to these main sources a complete search of the AJ and AAJ showed that there have been several other expeditions to the region, their ascents and others I stumbled across along the way have all been added to the list. It is by no means complete! In may cases reports are vague or inaccurate, leaving the exact nature of the ascent down to speculation. In these cases a '?' appears in the list. Because there is no minimum height for inclusion of a summit, and as there are no accurate maps of the Apolobamba, the list is somewhat arbitrarily based on Neate's book with some additions. The report does however provide a starting place for research.

No detailed maps are included in this report. A map of the whole region showing the coverage of other maps and corresponding references can be found in appendix B. I have mainly used the 1959 Imperial College Expedition map (IC map) as this seemed fairly exact. Most of the other maps are less accurate and disagree with each other. Not all the summits included in the list are named on any of the maps, I was forced to resort to the original reports to place some summits. Where possible I have noted where these summits lie.

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Western Extension in Peru

As my main interest was in the peaks on the Bolivian side of the border, these peaks are covered in slightly less detail. There have been some reports of terrorist activity on the Peruvian side of the border, most recently in 1992, while the Southampton University MC Expedition were in Antaquilla. At the current time it seems inadvisable to venture onto the Peruvian Apolobamba.

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Donegani 5900m (W of Jorge Chavez)
       Italian
                      1958
       French
                      1983
                      1984
       Swiss
Ananea 5842m (W of Cailjon)
       Italian
                      1958
       Swiss
                      1972
                             E ridae
                      1972
                             SW ridge
       Swiss
                             SW face
       French
                      1973
       Swiss
                      1974
                      1983
       French
                             N face
       French
                      1984
                             S face spur
Calijon 5827m (marked on DAV 1957 map)
       Italian
                      1958
Vanelli 5640m (unmarked)
                      1958
       Italian
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La Sierra (La Sega) 5450m (unmarked)
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Italian 1958

Ripa Pata 5272m (near Iscai Cruz Pass)

Italian 1958 Japanese 1961 **Rinconada 5030m** (unmarked)

> Italian 1958 Swiss 1974

Manco Capac 5500m (S of Donegani)

French 1979 Citta di Desio 5700m (unmarked)

Italian 1958

Huanacuni 5280m (W of Palomani Cunca)

Canadian 1970

Peaks on Bolivia-Peru Border

Great confusion arises due differing opinions on the names and exact heights of peaks within this group. I have tried to use the names adopted by Neate.

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Puinapata 5264m (N of Chupi Orco on Italian map 1980)
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Japanese 1961

Chupi Orco Norte 6000m (marked on IC map)

Italian 1958 Japanese 1961

German 1968 from E side. German 1969 S-N traverse.

Chupi Orco 6044m (marked on IC map)

German (M) 1957 SE ridge.

Italian 1958 Japanese 1961

German 1968 from E side.

German 1969 N-S traverse pt's 5850, 5900 & 5950.

Italian (M) 1981 SW ridge.

French 1983 Swiss 1984

Angelicum 6000m (N of Chupi Orco)

Italian 1958

Jorge Chauvez 6000m (S of Chupi Orco)

Italian 1958

French 1978 traverse.

Salluyo 5808m (marked on IC map)

 Italian
 1958

 Japanese
 1961

 French
 1978

 French
 1979

 Italian (M)
 1981

Flor de Roca 5808m (S of Jorge Chauvez)

Italian 1958

French 1978 E-W traverse ascending S face.

French 1983 E face. Swiss 1984 E ridge. **Tres Mujeres 5800m** (W of Salluyo)

Italian 1958

French 1979 traverse.

Chocacoto (CAI) 5800m (S of Jorge Chauvez)

Italian 1958 Japanese 1961

French 1978 W face. **Palomani Grande** (marked on IC map)

Delivier 4000

Bolivian 1932

Italian1958Japanese1961French1978

British B 1989 SW ridge. **Palomani Tranca 5633m** (marked on IC map)

British 1985 W ridge.

Palomani Cunca 5629m (marked on IC map)

Italian 1958 French 1978 Swiss 1984

Ichocollo 5423m (S of Jorge Chauvez)

Italian 1958

Iscaycruzriti 5400m (near Iscai Cruz Pass)

German 1968

Salluyo-Soral Oeste Basin

Villasanta 5700m (unmarked)

Italian 1958 Monza 5600m (unmarked) Italian 1958

Huanaco 5750m (E of Chupi Orco on Italian 1981 map)

German 1968

Taro 5700m (E of Chupi Orco on Italian 1981 map)

German 1968

pt. 5510m (unmarked)

German 1968

pt. 5500m (unmarked)

German 1968

Soral Oeste Ridge

Manresa 5655m

Spanish (M) 1969 S side

Monserrat Norte 5655m

Spanish (M) 1969 S ridge

Curac (Qurae) 5650m

Spanish (M) 1969 NW side

Soral West 5640m

British (M) 1959 W ridge Italian 1981 N face American 1986 S face

Sullica 5635m

Spanish (M) 1969 NW side **pt. 5560m** (end snow dome of W Soral ridge)

British 1959

Monserrat Sur 5525m

Spanish (M) 1969 SW side

Chucuyo Grande 5430m

British (M) 1959 W face & ridge

Soral Este Ridge

Soral East 5470m

British (M) 1959 N ridge Italian 1981 N ridge

Pt. 5430m (NW Soral East)

British 1959 via traverse of NW ridge

Italian 1981

Pt. 5390m (NW Soral East)

British (M) 1959 via traverse of NW ridge

Spanish 1969

Pt. 5380m (SE Soral East)

British (M) 1959 N ridge

Italian 1981

Pt. 5320m (SE Soral East)

British (M) 1959 N-S traverse from pt 5380

Italian 1981

Pt. 5100m (SE Soral East)

American 1986 5.4 rock route

Ascarani 5580m

British (M) 1959 NW ridge Spanish (M) 1969 NW ridge ? American 1970 N ridge

Macara 5430m, 5380m, 5340m (SE Soral E)

Italian 1981

Pt. 5010m (between Paso Riti & Paso Yanacocha)

Italian 1981

Penelopa 5125m

Spanish (M) 1969 SW face

Pico Riti Superior 5041m

Spanish (M) 1969 NE face

Matchu Suchi Coochi Group

This North-South ridge at the Western end of Paso Pelechuco contained numerous peaks of about 5600m. Identifying individual peaks of the actual Matchu Suchi Coochi ridge is difficult as the Imperial College map only gives heights for a few of them.

Presidente 5700m (probably pt 5640m on IC map)

Spanish (M) 1969 N ridge

Matchu Suchi Coochi 5600m

British (M) 1959 NW-SE traverse

Matchu Suchi Coochi 5680m

British (M) 1959 NW-SE traverse

German 1968 traverse Italian 1981 W face Italian 1981 E face

Matchu Suchi Coochi 5670m

British (M) 1959 NW-SE traverse

German 1968 traverse

Matchu Suchi Coochi 5640m

British (M) 1959 NW-SE traverse

Matchu Suchi Coochi 5610m

British (M) 1959 NW-SE traverse

OAE 1 5300m (unmarked)

? 1968 (no reference given by Neate)

German 1974 W face

Huanchuchuri 5400m

? 1970 (no reference given by Neate)

Canadian 1972 French 1979 French 1979

Katantica Group

This ridge runs West-East on the North side of the road through Paso Pelechuco. The region appears on both the Imperial College Expedition map and the Spanish Expedition map. Most of the peaks appear as spot-heights on the Imperial College map, but are named on the Spanish expedition map.

Pelechucho Huaracha 5650m

British (M) 1959 N ridge German 1974 SW ridge Italian 1981 W ridge

Apollo 11 5650m

Spanish (M) 1969 N-S traverse, ascent up N face. British 1992 N-S traverse, ascent up S face.

Bures 5560m

Spanish (M) 1969 N-S traverse from Apollo 11. British 1992 N-S traverse from Apollo 11.

Radioaficion 5580m (NW of K1)

Spanish (M) 1969 N-S traverse from Bures, descent down N face. British 1992 N-S traverse from Bures, descent down S face.

Katantica Oeste (K 1) 5630m (W most peak on ridge on IC map)

German 1968 S face Italian 1981 NW ridge? British 1992 W face

Katantica Central (K 3) 5610m (central elongated peak on IC map)

German 1968 from N side. American 1986 S face

Lloco Lloco 5605m (just E of K1) Spanish (M) 1969 N face

Katantica Este (K 4) 5592m (E most peak on ridge on IC map)

German 1968

Katantica II 5550m (between K1 and K2)

German 1968

American? 1986 N ridge

Mo. Alba 5525m

Spanish (M) 1969 W face **Katantica Sur 5310m** (1.25miles S of K4)

German 1968

Peaks Between Paso Pelechuco and Paso Osipal

Schwartzewand 5500m (unmarked)

German 1969 German 1974

BJE 4 (Firnberg) 5450m (between Paso Pelechuco and Huanacuni)

German 1969 from saddle between BJE 4 and 6.

German 1974

BJE 6 (Firnkuppe) 5440m (probably S of Paso Pelechuco)

German 1969 from saddle between BJE 4 and 6.

BJE 2 5350m (SW of Pelechuco Huaracha)

German 1969

German 1974 SW face and traverse to BJE 1.

British 1992 SE ridge.

BJE 1 5300m (between BJE 2 and Pelechuco Huaracha)

German 1969

German 1974 traverse from BJE 1. British 1992 traverse from BJE 1.

BJE 3 5300m (probably near BJE 1 & 2)

German 1969 German 1974

Pt 5050 (end of ridge SW of BJE 2)

German 1969 German 1974

British 1992 S side.

Huanacuni 5789m

German (M) 1957 S ridge.

British/NZ 1992 W face and N ridge.

Nubi 5710m

German (M) 1957 S ridge traverse to Huanacuni.

British B 1988 S ridge. British B 1989 S ridge.

Pt 5760 (summit between Nubi and Huanacuni)

British 1992 from Nubi.

Huanacuni Eastward 5500m (peak E of pt 5760)

British 1992 E couloir.

Cololo 5916m

German (M) 1957 W-SE traverse. Japanese 1965 from S side. American 1986 SE arete.

British 1988 Rock ramps to W ridge.

British B 1989 N ridge. British L 1989 W ridge.

Posnansky 5480m

German (M) 1957 N ridge.

Japanese 1961 W ridge / SW face.

American? 1986 SW side. British L 1989 SW flank.

Peaks South of Paso Osipal

Huelacollac 5816m

German (M) 1957 N ridge Japanese 1961 W ridge

Japanese 1965

British L 1989 W-N traverse

Iscacucho 5650m

German (M) 1957 W-E traverse
British 1989 SW-NE traverse
British 1989 N face of SW summit
British 1989 NE ridge of NE summit

Mita (Cerro Levisitio) 5500m

German (M) 1957 traverse British L 1989 N ridge

Pupuya Region

This is a relatively infrequently visited region in the Southern Apolobamba. Information about the area is hard to obtain as the only full reports that are readily available are in Japanese.

Acamani 5700m

Japanese 1961 NW ridge. Japanese (M) 1961 NE ridge. Japanese 1965 S-N traverse.

French 1979 S ridge, reaching Acamani Sur.

Cavayani 5700m

Japanese (M) 1961 NW face. Japanese 1965 N-S traverse.

Canisaya 5750m

Japanese (M) 1961 from NW glacier. Japanese 1965 N-S traverse.

Casarara 5702m

Japanese 1965 N-S traverse. **Coruguini 5810m** (probably E of Huelancalloc)

Japanese 1965

Yanorco 5600m

Japanese (M) 1961 W ridge.

The Japanese also climbed; Cuchillo / Chuquillo I 5560m (nr. Cavayani), Chuquillo II / Asano 5450m (NE of Chuquillo I), Huarin and Corohuari 5668m. None of these have been located. This is discussed in the Loughborough Expedition report of 1989. The French expedition of 1978 also climbed Acamani Chico 18143', Acamani Grande 18537' and Canoma 18307' these have not been placed on any map.

Expeditions To the Apolobamba Region

This section contains a list of all the recorded expeditions to the Apolobamba. Where possible references are given as well as a very brief summary of the area visited.

1932 Bolivian Army

Bolivian Side.

Climbed Palomani Grande.

1957 German

Bolivian Side.

Basecamp W of Paso Osipal.

['Jahrbuch des Deutschen Alpen-Vereins', 57 (1962), 95-107]

['EAC Handbook', 43]

[AAJ 11 (1958), 102]

1958 Italian

Peruvian Side.

Climbing peaks on the Peru-Bolivia border.

[AAJ 13 (1962), 252]

[AAJ 1959 321-322]

1959 British

Bolivian Side.

Basecamp in Tuichi valley between Matchu Suchi Coochi and Soral ridges.

[AAJ 12 (1960-61), 37-42]

[AJ 65, 175-81]

1961 Japanese

Bolivian Side.

First basecamp in Chaupi Orco region. Second basecamp near Puyo Puyo, other camps SW of Huelancalloc and at Lago Canisaya.

[Sangaku 57 (1962), 21-65 {Japanese}]

[AAJ 13 (1962), 253-4]

1965 Japanese

Bolivian Side.

Climbed Cololo and numerous peaks in the Pupuya group.

[Sangaku 62 (1967), 14-18]

[AAJ 15 (1966), 182-3]

1968 German

Bolivian Side.

Basecamp in Tuichi valley, climbed in Chupi Orco, Matchu Suchi Coochi, and Katantica groups [AAJ 16 (1969), 443]

[AJ 74 (1969), 241]

1969 German

Bolivian Side.

Climbed in Chupi Orco and Soral groups and briefly from Paso Pelechuco.

[AAJ 17 (1970), 32-7, 154-79]

[AJ (1970), 221]

1969 Spanish

Bolivian Side.

Basecamp in Tuichi valley.

[AJ 75 (1970), 220]

1970 American

Bolivian side.

Basecamp in Tuichi valley, near Spanish campsite.

[AAJ (1971), 424]

1972 Canadian

Bolivian Side.

Soral group.

[AAJ 18 (1972), 176]

1972 Swiss

Peruvian Side.

1973 French

Peruvian Side.

Climbed SW face Ananea.

1974 German

Bolivian Side.

Based in Paso Pelechuco.

[AAJ (1975), 177-80]

1974 Swiss

Peruvian Side.

1978 French

Bolivian Side.

Attempted Acamani and other peaks in the Pupuya group.

[AAJ 22 (1979), 246-7]

1981 Italian

Bolivian Side.

Climbed in Soral group and near Pelucho-Haracha, basecamps East of Chupi Orco, in Soral group and in Paso Pelechuco.

[`Rivista del C.A.I', 101, 1982]

[AAJ 26 (1984), 209]

1983 French

Peruvian Side.

Climbed Ananea and border peaks.

[AAJ 1984, 209]

1985 British

Peruvian Side.

Basecamp W of Palomani Tranca.

[Report in AC Library]

1986 American

Bolivian Side.

Basecamp W of Cololo, SE of Lago Khello.

[AAJ 29 (1987), 198-201]

1988 British

Bolivian Side.

Basecamp at Lago Pauoche W of Cololo.

[Report in AC Library]

1989 British LUMC

Bolivian Side.

Basecamp in Passo Osipal South of Cololo.

[Report in AC Library]

1989 British BUMC

Bolivian Side.

Basecamp at Lago Nubi West of Cololo and Lago Suches South West of Palomani Grande. [Report in AC Library]

Maps

Summary map of Apolobamba region:

- 1. 75 (1970), 220
- 2. Revista del C.A.I, 101 (1982), 367
- 3. 65, 175-81
- 4. Sangaku 57 (1962), 21-65 {Japanese}
- 5. Southampton University Bolivian Expedition Report 1992 (A.C. Library)
- 6. Loughborough Students Andes Expedition 1989 (A.C.Library)
- 7. Yorkshire Ramblers' Club Expedition Report 1988 (A.C. Library)

